

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 18, 2012  
7:15 PM**

Mayor Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:55PM

**Flag Salute; Moment of Silence**

**Sunshine Law:** The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey have been satisfied. The date, time and place of this meeting was sent to *The Record* and the *Ridgewood News*, posted at Borough Hall, posted on the Borough website and filed with the Borough of Dumont.

**Roll Call:** Council members Brophy, Freeman, Hayes, Stylianou, Zamechansky-present  
Councilman Carrick-absent  
Mayor Kelly-present

Motion to Accept Agenda as presented with the following exceptions:  
Resolutions 12-155 and 12-163-Tabled; Resolution 12-162 moved to non-consent  
Motion: Councilman Stylianou  
Second: Councilman Freeman  
All in favor.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion to approve the May 15, 2012 Executive Meeting, May 15, 2012 Public Meeting and May 15, 2012 Closed Session minutes: Councilman Stylianou  
Second: Councilman Freeman  
Roll call vote: Council members Freeman, Hayes, Stylianou, Zamechansky-  
Councilman Brophy-abstain  
Motion to approve the June 6, 2012 Executive Session minutes: Councilwoman Zamechansky  
Second: Councilman Freeman  
Roll Call: Council members Brophy, Freeman, Hayes, Stylianou, Zamechansky-yes

**Administrator's Report**

The plaque for Ryan Gartner, who was killed in Afghanistan, has been ordered and will be placed in Memorial Park.

The assessment of the indoor quality issues in the Police Department is being done.

The TwinBoro Field remediation is moving along. Sod is being put down. The Mayor and Council will have to decide when the field will be ready to be used.

**Council Committee Reports**

- Councilman Brophy

No Report

- Councilman Freeman

Finance

The increase per average household will be \$95. This is a 70% decrease from the original introduced budget.

- Councilman Hayes

#### *Rent Leveling Board*

A new chairperson, Terrie Considine, was sworn in. The meeting lasted about twenty minutes.

- Councilman Stylianou

#### *5K Run*

The committee is preparing for the September 1<sup>st</sup> race. There have been many sponsorship checks. Ms. Sonzogni, a Grant School third grade teacher informed him that they have been collecting change and have saved over \$300, which they are contributing to the Run. The Councilman said that any of the third graders who wish to run in the race can do so for free.

#### *Recreation*

Sean Lissemore, a Dumont high school graduate and plays for the Dallas Cowboys, will be hosting a free camp for Dumont residents six years old and up on July 7th. Lunch will be included.

- Councilwoman Zamechansky

#### *Seniors*

The councilwoman attended a luncheon for the seniors at Rockleigh Country Club. Approximately 100 seniors were in attendance.

#### *Board of Health*

The councilwoman attended a Board of Health meeting last week.

#### *Chamber of Commerce*

The Farmer's Market is held every Saturday through at least October.

#### *Buildings and Grounds*

There have been meetings pertaining to added commuter parking

#### *Dumont Day*

Mariner's Bank will be sponsoring the concert that evening.

#### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Kelly congratulated the Girl Scouts on their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. They had a bridging ceremony with one hundred girls bridging to the next level.

The Mayor congratulated Officer Quintano who received recognition from Mothers Against Drunk Driving for the services he has provided.

The Mayor introduced Ted Pomeroy, a Dumont resident, who would like a resolution adopted by the Council. Mr. Pomeroy has served this past year on the State of New Jersey Energy Master Plan. He spoke about the advantages of the use of natural gas as opposed to diesel fuel for New Jersey Transit buses running through our town.

**Review of Consent Agenda Items:** All items with an asterisk are considered to be non-controversial by the Council and will be approved by one motion. There may be further discussion prior to the vote upon request of a member of the public or a Council member. Also, any item may be removed for further discussion or for roll call vote in which case the item will be removed and considered in its normal sequence as part of the general order of business.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

#12-154 Bills List \*

#12-155 TwinBoro Field Remediation Project-Change Order #1-\$7,032.60 -Tabled

#12-156 Authorization to Enter into Agreement with Valley Health Medical Group to Perform Alcohol and Drug Testing \*

- #12-157 Approval of Liquor License Renewals \*
- #12-158 Approval of Taxi and Limousine Permit Renewals \*
- #12-159 Approval of Coin Machine Permit Renewals \*
- #12-160 Approval of DHS Athletic Boosters Off-premise 50/50 Raffle to be drawn November 21, 2012; ID#109-5-24823; RL#370 \*
- #12-161 Authorization of Execution of Agreement with Greenstar Recycling \*
- #12-162 Ed Rossi-Reappointment as Building Inspector, Construction Official and Building Subcode Official \*
- #12-163 Approval of NJDOT Project Proposal for Depew Street between East Quackenbush and Marion Avenues-\$205,960 -Tabled
- #12-164 Eugenia Edone (Rand)-Appointment as Unaffiliated Member of Ethics Board \*
- #12-165 Authorization of Execution of Agreement with eRevival, LLC-Logistics and Recycling Services of Used Electronics \*
- #12-166 Authorization to Advertise for RFP's for Traffic Control Signal Monitoring System \*
- #12-167 Authorization to Enter into Agreement with Birdsall Services Group for Assessment of Indoor Environmental Quality in the Police Department-not to exceed \$9,500 \*

Motion to open to the public: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to close: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to adopt: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Freeman

Roll call vote: Council members Brophy, Freeman, Hayes, Stylianou, Zamechansky-yes

### **Non-Consent Agenda**

- #12-162 Ed Rossi-Reappointment as Building Inspector, Construction Official and Building Subcode Official

Councilman Stylianou asked Mr. Perkins for some feedback on Mr. Rossi's performance.

Mr. Perkins had nothing but positive things to say.

Motion to open to the public: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor

Motion to close: Councilman Brophy

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to adopt: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Freeman

Roll call vote: Council members Brophy, Freeman, Hayes, Stylianou, Zamechansky-yes

### **General Order of Business**

- #12-168 Budget Amendment #2

### **Public Hearing on Budget Amendment #2**

Motion to open to the public: Councilman Hayes

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor

1. Kai Chen, 90 Teak Road, asked whether this was posted with the other resolutions on the website.

Mr. Paster explained that the Borough was waiting for approval from the State, which was received this evening. It entails the lease assignment of the DPW monopole.

The municipal clerk assured Mr. Chen the resolution will be posted on the website.

Motion to close: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to adopt: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

Councilman Hayes stated that everyone asks him how much the taxes are going up and have they been able to stabilize them. Unfortunately, the increase tonight shows a \$95 increase per average household. He feels there should have been every effort made to bring it down to 0 tax increase. The economy is still in bad shape and people are struggling. There are a lot of foreclosures in town.

Roll call vote: Council members Brophy, Freeman, Hayes, Stylianou, Zamechansky-yes

#### #12-169 Adoption of the 2012 Municipal Budget

Councilwoman Zamechansky commended the budget committee for all their hard work. However, she had requested a meeting prior to tonight for discussion of the budget among the Council but that never took place. Therefore, her questions were never answered and she was unable to make suggestions. She would have liked to discuss salaries-the Police and DPW receive 3.5% increase; she would have liked to see the dispatchers and other employees receive the same. She also would have liked to discuss furlough days further and some other items as well.

Councilman Hayes would like more public meetings and involvement in the budget process.

Councilman Stylianou said that he was part of the Finance Committee as well as Chairperson Freeman, Councilman Brophy. They went line by line, which was very time consuming. Mr. Perkins, the Borough Auditor and the CFO were involved in the process. They did not leave any stone unturned and he respectfully disagrees that every meeting should be sunshined. They had been working on this for months and there was ample time for people to ask questions.

Councilman Freeman suggested that Councilman Hayes chair the Finance Committee next year.

Councilman Brophy said that as a new member on the Finance Committee, it was eye-opening as far as the number of line items reviewed and lowered just to get to the number reached today. We need to look at next year now.

Councilman Freeman explained that next year's budget is going to be more challenging than this year's budget. Shared services should be explored seriously.

Motion to open to the public: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to close: Councilman Brophy

Second: Councilman Freeman  
Motion to adopt: Councilman Freeman  
Second: Councilman Stylianou  
Roll call vote: Council members Brophy, Freeman, Stylianou, Zamechansky-yes  
Councilman Hayes-no

## **ORDINANCE**

### *First Reading*

#### **#1444 Ordinance Establishing a Traffic Control Signal Monitoring System**

Motion to waive formal reading: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to pass on first reading: Councilman Hayes

Second: Councilman Freeman

Roll call vote: Council members Brophy, Freeman, Hayes, Stylianou, Zamechansky-yes

Motion to open to the public for general discussion: Councilman Brophy

Second: Councilman Stylianou

All in favor.

1. Barbara Correa, 240 Larch Avenue, asked the status of the energy auction. She asked about an article on a co-op named Grid Smart. She wanted to clarify that the football camp Councilman Stylianou had mentioned is for Dumont residents only.
2. Don Morrell, 63 Depew Street, stated that residency will be checked during registration for the football camp.
3. Kai Chen, 90 Teak Road, asked about the reverse energy auction. It seems we're trying to rush into this. Other options should be explored. He also asked about the portion of the ordinance on tonight's agenda which stated that the Borough engineer would inspect and certify the traffic monitoring system every six months. Mr. Paster responded that this would be part of the RFP. A qualified person would certify the system.
4. Frank Lopez, 190 Magnolia Avenue, asked about the Red Light Monitoring program and at what point the revenue begins and the revenue ends. The Mayor responded that based on a twelve hour review, there were 105 violations. He said that this program is not to specifically target residents of Dumont. Mr. Perkins added that warnings are given initially. There will be a statement in the specs of the RFP addressing the numbers and he believes an opt-out clause.

Motion to close: Councilman Hayes

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Brophy

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion adjourned at 8:55PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Susan Connelly, RMC

Municipal Clerk